MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Clarence Stoel, Chairperson

Mr. James Kebisek

Mr. Thomas A. Ludka, Secretary

VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

ANNUAL MEETING DATE: January 4, 2010

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

Mr. Clarence Stoel, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Mr. Clarence Stoel, Mr. James Kebisek and Mr. Thomas A. Ludka were present. Mr. William Luebke was absent due to illness.

REVIEW MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2, 2009

The minutes of the November 2, 2009 meeting were reviewed. There were no corrections to the minutes. Mr. Ludka made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Kebisek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

BUDGET

Mr. Ludka presented the 2011 budget. The 2011 budget remains the same as the 2010 budget – there are no changes. Mr. Ludka made a motion to approve the budget. Mr. Kebisek seconded the motion – the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Stoel requested an update on the grant from the November 2, 2009 meeting, Case #908. A second grant was given. Mr. Ludka explained that additional funding from Disabled American Veterans (DAV), Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH), American Legion (AL), and Vietnam Veterans of American (VVA) also assisted several needy veterans, giving examples of the assistance provided.

The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) Grant was discussed. No determination has been made on future funding by the State Department.

It was clarified that three people are needed to hold a Veterans Service Commission meeting. It is not written in the Statutes that the meeting needs to be held the first Monday in January. The Commission re-affirmed that the Veterans Service Officer can approve an additional two grants for veterans who were approved an initial grant (not to exceed a total of three grants). The Policy for the County Veterans Service Commission funds was discussed. There were no changes. Mr. Kebisek made a motion to approve the policy. Mr. Ludka seconded the motion – the motion passed unanimously.

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The election for the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson was discussed. It was determined that a Vice-Chairperson was not needed. Mr. Kebisek made a motion that Mr. Clarence Stoel be re-elected as the Chairperson. Mr. Ludka seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ludka discussed the difficulty of filing service-connected claims with documentation not on the VA list of acceptable documentation (ie: a passport showing in-country Vietnam versus orders).

There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Stoel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 A.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kebisek. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. Ludka, Secretary

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